

Hints About Camping in Canada

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Don't be in a Hurry in making your arrangements. Decide **when** and **where** you want to go, procure a map of the country you propose to visit, open correspondence with the railroad officials and ask their advice as to the best route. Have them supply you with a list of the names of reliable outfitters who make a business of furnishing guides, canoes, and supplies, and also inform you of the resources along the route you propose to travel, to refit or replenish your store of provisions.

GUIDES

If you have not had experience in the woods, the cheapest way to get it is to buy it in the shape of good guides.

The guides receive, according to age, experience and ability, from \$1.50 per day upward; probably the average would be \$2.00. Helpers and boys, from \$1.00 to \$1.50.

If the party is large, a cook will be required, whose wages will be the same as your experienced guides.

Too much care cannot be taken in engaging reliable men, as the success and amount of pleasure you get out of the trip will depend largely on their willingness.

CANOES

are either the birch bark "Au Sauvage," or the modern Peterboro'; and the rental for either would be twenty-five to fifty

cents per day. If you expect to return to the same locality in subsequent seasons, it will be economy to own a canoe and outfit.

OUTFITTERS

All the arrangements as to the guides and canoes should be made through your outfitter, who will also furnish your supplies, if desired, at the market prices, and your cooking utensils and camp equipment for a trip of two to four weeks for a commission often to twenty per cent, of the original cost. But it would be well to have a thorough understanding with your outfitter and guides as to what **you** expect of them before starting in the woods.

PERSONAL ATTIRE

It is always well to be too warmly clad, as this condition is quickest remedied. A hunting suit of corduroy, color to harmonize with the leaves and grasses of the forest and fields; coat and vest to be lined with flannel, and each liberally supplied with not only small pockets but large ones between the lining and outer cloth on each side, to be entered from the front, one at the back with openings in the side seams on either side, the same as canvas hunting coats now made, one of which I substitute for the heavier coat in warm weather; knee-trousers, fitting closely to the legs; long, heavy